

**ALLEGED SHIPMENT:** During 1942, on or about December 12, 1946, and November 18, 1947, and during June 1949, from various foreign countries.

**PRODUCT:** 11 110-pound bags of *burdock root*, 422 100-pound bales of *cocillana bark*, 16 160-pound bags of *jalap root*, and 160 60-pound bags of *white squill* at Brooklyn, N. Y., in possession of R. J. Prentiss & Co., Inc.

**NATURE OF CHARGE:** Adulteration, Section 501 (a) (1), the articles consisted in part of filthy substances by reason of the presence of insects, and the *cocillana bark* consisted also in part of a decomposed substance by reason of the presence of mold; and, Section 501 (a) (2), the articles had been held under insanitary conditions whereby they may have become contaminated with filth. The articles were adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

**DISPOSITION:** January 27, 1950. R. J. Prentiss & Co., Inc., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the products be released under bond for segregation and destruction of the unfit portions, under the supervision of the Federal Security Agency. The segregation operations resulted in the destruction of 693 pounds of *jalap root*, 1,112 pounds of *white squill*, and the entire lots of *burdock root* and *cocillana bark*.

#### DRUGS AND DEVICES ACTIONABLE BECAUSE OF DEVIATION FROM OFFICIAL OR OWN STANDARDS\*

**3432. Adulteration and misbranding of Biotropin. U. S. v. 126 Vials \* \* \*.**  
(F. D. C. No. 29568. Sample No. 78426-K.)

**LIBEL FILED:** On or about September 8, 1950, Western District of Washington.

**ALLEGED SHIPMENT:** On or about April 25, 1950, from Los Angeles, Calif.

**PRODUCT:** 126 10-cc. vials of *Biotropin* at Seattle, Wash. Examination showed that the product contained materially less than 3,000 M. U. (mouse units) of pituitary gonadotropins per vial.

**NATURE OF CHARGE:** Adulteration, Section 501 (c), the strength of the article differed from that which it purported or was represented to possess, namely, 3,000 mouse units of pituitary gonadotropins per vial.

Misbranding, Section 502 (a), the label statement "Ovine Pituitary Gonadotropins \* \* \* 3,000 M. U. Per Vial" was false and misleading as applied to an article which contained materially less than 3,000 mouse units of pituitary gonadotropins per vial.

The article was adulterated and misbranded in the above respects while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

**DISPOSITION:** April 30, 1951. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

**3433. Adulteration and misbranding of clinical thermometers. U. S. v. 120 \* \* \*.**  
(F. D. C. No. 30903. Sample No. 30851-L.)

**LIBEL FILED:** April 5, 1951, Eastern District of Missouri.

**ALLEGED SHIPMENT:** On or about January 11, 1951, by the Ideal Thermometer Co., Inc., from Brooklyn, N. Y.

\*See also No. 3427.